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July 7, 2011

Hon. Shoshana M. Grove, Secretary
Postal Regulatory Commission
901 New York Avenue NW, Suite 200
Washington, D.C. 20268-0001

Dear Ms. Grove:

In connection with the Commission's rules pertaining to periodic reports, 39 C.F.R. § 3050 (2009), I have enclosed the following as a pdf file on computer disk:

The Household Diary Study: Mail Uses & Attitudes in FY 2010.

I have also enclosed two bound hard copies of this report. This version of the report and its contents are public information, and the electronic version may be posted on the Commission's webpage.

In a separate folder submitted under seal, I have enclosed the following as a pdf file on computer disks:

Appendix A6: Packages & Expedited, *The Household Diary Study: Mail Uses & Attitudes in FY 2010*.

This file consists of the 10 tables (Table A6-1 through Table A6-10) that constitute an appendix (Appendix A6: Packages & Expedited) to the FY2010 Household Diary Study. In the public version of the FY2010 Household Diary Study provided as described in the first paragraph above, a statement was included regarding Appendix A6 that the materials had been redacted. Since these tables relate primarily to the Postal Service's competitive products, as well as to similar products offered by competing package delivery providers, the Postal Service is now providing this information under seal. In general, the Postal Service maintains its position that materials relating to Competitive categories of mail are internal documents of a commercially sensitive nature that under good business practices should not be disclosed publicly, and thus would be exempt from public disclosure pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(3) and 39 U.S.C. § 410(c)(2). Accordingly, the Postal Service requests that the Commission withhold all of the Appendix A6 materials from public disclosure. 39 U.S.C. § 504(g).

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me. As in the past, the Postal Service expects that any FOIA request for the records and information provided at this time will entail consultation between the Postal Service and the Commission, before any records are made publicly available. This approach accords with Department of Justice guidance and with our understanding of the Commission's current policy regarding such requests, which were described in a letter from R. Andrew German to your predecessor dated March 15, 2002. With respect to Appendix A6, please refer to the "Application of the United States Postal Service for Non-Public Treatment of Materials," attached to my letter to you of October 15, 2010, on this same topic. Pursuant to 39 C.F.R. § 3007.21, that Application describes the material provided on the non-public computer disk, and presents the statutory basis for the Postal Service's request for confidentiality, as well as a description of the harm that would result from disclosure. That Application is incorporated herein by reference.

If you have any questions concerning these materials, please contact us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Daniel J. Foucheaux, Jr.", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Daniel J. Foucheaux, Jr.
Chief Counsel, Pricing and Product
Support

Enclosures

cc: Ms. Taylor